

AMENDMENT

Kindly amend the application, without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents, as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Kindly amend the specification, without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents, to read as follows:

Page 1, line 3, kindly rewrite the paragraph thereat as follows:

RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a division of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/579,163, filed May 25, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,642,397, which in turn was a division of U.S. application Serial No. 09/238,345, filed January 27, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,187,766, which in turn was a division of U.S. application Serial No. 09/111,927, filed July 8, 1998, incorporated herein by reference and now U.S. Patent No. 6,011,024, which in turn was a continuation-in-part of U.S. application Serial No. 08/458,352, filed June 2, 1995, now U.S. Patent No. 5,830,886, which was a division of U.S. application Serial No. 08/196,192, filed (§102(e) date of) December 27, 1994, now U.S. Patent No. 5,616,574. U.S. application Serial No. 08/196,192 was the U.S. National Phase of PCT/GB92/01587, filed August 28, 1992 and designating the U.S., and incorporated herein by reference. U.S. application Serial No. 08/196,192 has a §371 date of December 27, 1994 and a §102(e) date of December 27, 1994. PCT/GB92/01587 was published as WO93/05064, has a publication date of March 18, 1993, and claims priority from United Kingdom patent application No. 9118478, filed August 29, 1991. USSN 09/111,927 was also a continuation-in-part of PCT patent application number PCT/GB97/00600, filed March 4, 1997, designating the U.S., and claiming priority from United Kingdom patent applications 9604709.7 and 9605725.2, filed March 5 and 19, 1996, respectively. PCT/GB97/00600 was published as WO 97/32872 on September 12, 1997. USSN 09/111,927 was also a continuation-in-part of PCT patent application number PCT/GB97/00444, filed February 17, 1997, designating the U.S., and claiming priority from United Kingdom patent application 9603325.3, filed February 16, 1996.

PCT/GB97/00444 was published as WO 97/30041 on August 21, 1997. USSN 09/111,927 was also a continuation-in-part of PCT patent application number PCT/GB97/03352, filed December 4, 1997, designating the U.S., and claiming priority from United Kingdom patent application 9625334.9, filed December 5, 1996. PCT/GB97/03352 was published as WO 98/24802 on June 11, 1998. Each of PCT/GB97/00600 (WO 97/32872), PCT/GB97/00444 (WO 97/30041), and PCT/GB97/03352 (WO 98/24802) is hereby incorporated herein by reference. In addition, The the above-mentioned applications, as well as all documents cited herein and documents referenced or cited in documents cited herein, are hereby incorporated herein by reference.